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SPECIAL MEETING
LODI CITY COUNCIL
CARNEGIE FORUM
305 WEST PINE STREET
LODI, CALIFORNIA
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1992
7:00 A.M.

Pursuant to State statute, Mayor Pinkerton called a Special Meeting of the City Council at 7:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 22, 1992. Notice of this meeting had been sent out and posted according to State law.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Reimche recorded the roll as follows:

Present: Council Members - Hinchman, Pennino, Sieglock
(arrived 7:03 a.m.), Snider and
Pinkerton (Mayor)

Absent: Council Members - None

Also present: City Manager Peterson, Assistant City
Manager Glenn, Public Works Director Ronsko,
Assistant City Engineer Prima, City Attorney
McNatt and City Clerk Reimche

REGULAR CALENDAR

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING NORTH SAN JOAQUIN
WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S ATTEMPTS
TO SECURE SUPPLEMENTAL WATER FROM THE
MOKELUMNE RIVER

RESOLUTION NO. 92-165

As directed by the City Council at its meeting of September 16, 1992, the City Attorney prepared the following resolution for Council approval expressing the City's support of the North San Joaquin Water Conservation District's attempts to secure an assured supply of water from the Mokelumne River, and authorizing Public Works Director Jack Ronsko to appear and testify at the State Water Resources Control Board hearing on November 9, 1992.

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RESOLUTION NO. 92-165
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A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL
IN SUPPORT OF THE NORTH SAN JOAQUIN WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S
ATTEMPTS TO SECURE SUPPLEMENTAL WATER FROM THE MOKELUMNE RIVER

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WHEREAS, the North San Joaquin Water Conservation District (NSJWCD) is purveyor of water to areas contiguous to the City of Lodi; and

WHEREAS, any surface water which NSJWCD can supply to its users for agricultural purposes from the Mokelumne River avoids a commensurate depletion of the ground water basin which Lodi shares and which is already over-drafted; and

WHEREAS, any ground water not required to be pumped for NSJWCD customers because of the availability of supplemental Mokelumne River water benefits the same ground water table from which Lodi also draws its water for municipal and industrial uses; and

WHEREAS, there are now hearings scheduled before the State Water Resources Control Board which may affect NSJWCD's right to Mokelumne River water; and

WHEREAS, the NSJWCD intends to present testimony at the hearing on November 9, 1992 seeking the allocation of an assured supply of surface water from the Mokelumne River to alleviate a serious depletion of the ground water basin;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LODI CITY COUNCIL THAT:

1. The City of Lodi supports and endorses the efforts of NSJWCD to obtain a secure supplemental water supply from the Mokelumne River which would benefit both the District and the City, and
2. Lodi Public Works Director Jack Ronsko is hereby authorized and directed to appear at the hearing now scheduled for November 9, 1992 before the State Water Resources Control Board for the purpose of presenting testimony on behalf of NSJWCD's request for such supplemental water.

Dated: September 22, 1992

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 92-165 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in an adjourned meeting held September 22, 1992 by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members - Pennino, Sieglock, Snider and Pinkerton (Mayor)

Noes: Council Members - Hinchman

Absent: Council Members - None

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Addressing the City Council regarding the matter were:

- a) Janet Pruss, 2421 Diablo Drive, Lodi;
- b) Gerald Neuburger, 5 North California Street, Lodi; and
- c) John Newbold, 1098 East Woodbridge Road, Lodi.

Discussion followed with questions being directed to staff and to those who had given testimony regarding the matter.

On motion of Mayor Pinkerton, Pennino second, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 92-165 entitled, "A Resolution of the Lodi City Council In Support of the North San Joaquin Water Conservation District's Attempts to Secure Supplemental Water from the Mokelumne River". The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members - Pennino, Sieglock, Snider and Pinkerton (Mayor)

Noes: Council Members - Hinchman

Absent: Council Members - None

FIRE BATTALION CHIEF POSITION FREEZE

Fire Chief Hughes advised the City Council that in an effort to offset the loss of revenues suffered by the City as a result of the State budget crisis we plan on freezing one Battalion Chief's position for a period of six months. Since the Battalion Chief is the shift supervisor who responds to emergencies it is necessary to have someone available to fill the needs of the position on a 24 hour basis. To accomplish this the Fire Department plans on filling the position with a 40 hour Fire Administrative Officer from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. on the weekdays and having Battalion Chiefs and Fire Administrative Officers perform standby from 5 p.m. until 8 a.m. on weekdays and from 8 a.m. until 8 a.m. the following day on weekends. With the approval of the proposed motion the person performing the standby would receive pay for 45% of the hours worked in standby. These hours will be hours worked in excess of their normal work week, which is 40 hours for Fire Administrative Officers and 56 hours for Battalion Chiefs.

Following discussion, on motion of Council Member Snider, Hinchman second, the City Council authorized the City Manager to pay Fire Battalion Chiefs and Fire Administrative Officers standby time worked to cover the frozen Battalion Chiefs position for the period of October 1, 1992 through the first pay period in April 1993.

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Payment for such time to be at a rate of 45% of hours served on standby.

The motion carried by unanimous vote of the City Council.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE POLICY AMENDMENT

Fire Chief Hughes advised the City Council that at its regular meeting of Wednesday, July 1, 1992 the City Council, on the recommendation of staff, suspended the policy of compensation for certain hours of unused Administrative Leave as part of the City's cost reduction necessitated by budget decisions of the State Legislature. The Fire Chief has advised that strict adherence to this decision in the Fire Department will cost money, rather than save it. This is based on the need to "hire back" to fill a vacancy created when a Battalion Chief takes Administrative Leave. This "hire back" to fill such a vacancy is compensated at time and one half. Thus the additional cost to the City of not compensating for certain unused hours of Administrative Leave is approximately \$3,220 annually. It is clearly in the best economic interests of the City to make this exemption from the recently adopted City-wide Administrative Leave policy. This unique situation does not occur in other departments.

Following discussion, on motion of Council Member Hinchman, Pennino second, the City Council exempted the Fire Department from the current suspension of compensation for certain hours of Administrative Leave.

The motion carried by unanimous vote of the City Council.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 a.m.

Attest:


Alice M. Reimche
City Clerk